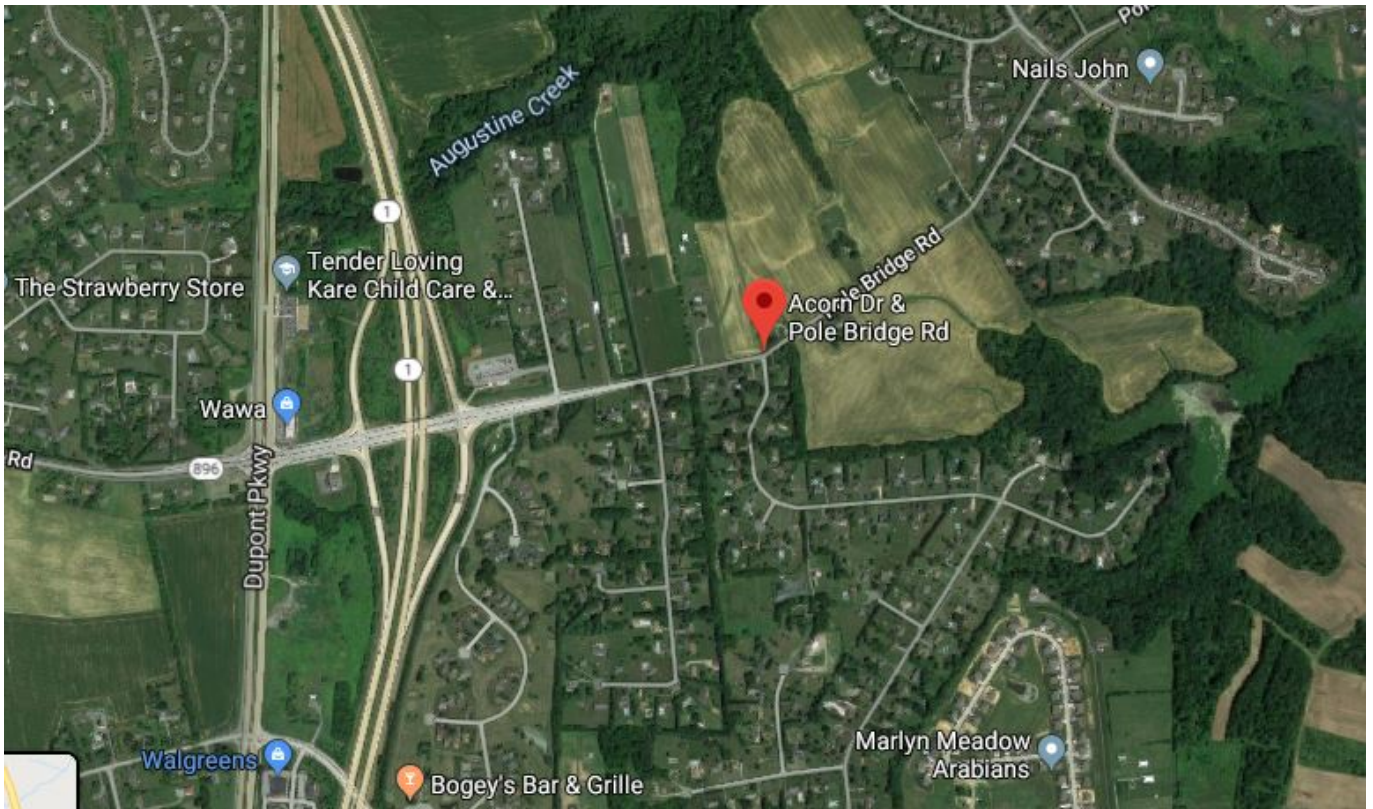


Troopers Investigating Fatal Crash – Middletown



Middletown, Delaware -The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a single vehicle crash that occurred last night.

The initial investigation has determined that on Friday, July 12, 2019, at 8:46 p.m., a 2018 Jaguar F-PACE was traveling eastbound on Pole Bridge Road approaching the intersection of Acorn Drive. At that intersection, the roadway veers slightly to the left. The unknown female operator of the vehicle failed to maintain the vehicle within the single eastbound lane as the vehicle approached the curved portion of the roadway. When the roadway veered slightly left, the Jaguar continued in a straight path and entered the front yard of a residence on Acorn Drive. While traveling across the lawn, the vehicle struck a posted road sign. The vehicle then traveled over a small tree before the left front of the vehicle struck a

standing tree. The vehicle then traveled out of control facing northbound before the passenger side of the vehicle slid into another tree. The vehicle traveled across the lawn before the final impact, which immediately and fully engulfed the vehicle into flames.

The female operator, the sole occupant of the vehicle, was pronounced deceased at the scene. Speed is being considered a factor in this crash. Her identity remains unknown at this time and is pending next of kin notification.

The crash continues to remain under investigation by the Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit. Anyone with information pertaining to this incident is asked to please contact Troop 2, Sergeant D. Alexander at 302-365-8437.

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